

## IS NOT LATIMER'S MURDERER.

THIS IS NOW THE POLICE OPINION REGARDING JOHNSON.

Says He and His Confederate, Walsh, Took to the House Not a Bicycle Lamp Such as Was Found There, but a Bulbless Dark Lantern With a Slide—Held.

William G. Johnson, the young man who walked into the Greenpoint police station late Wednesday night and announced that he was the man who killed Albert C. Latimer on July 2 last, appears to be a romantic of the first water. He was examined at length by a number of police officials in Brooklyn yesterday, and the unanimous opinion afterward was that he was a liar, although, try as they would, the police could not unearth any motive for his remarkable story. It is not believed that he is a crank, as he talks well and sticks closely to his story, despite the efforts made to break him down. Sometimes tramps come to crimes which have not been solved and which are occupying public attention in order to pass a few weeks of winter weather in a nice warm jail, where three regular meals a day are served. Johnson, however, does not appear to be that sort of man. He shows great ignorance of the details of the Latimer crime; details that he would be acquainted with if he were the man that did the shooting.

Johnson's story, as told originally by himself and added to through questions put to him, is in substance as follows:

"I committed the murder, but I named John Walsh as my partner at the time. I met Walsh on July 1 last, in the Alhambra on Fourteenth street, Manhattan, and he told me he was going to Brooklyn to see a friend of his, Mrs. Latimer. He said that there was money in her house and that if I would come along he would keep Mrs. Latimer busy while I robbed the house. We went to the house in the afternoon and Mrs. Latimer let us in. Walsh talked with her for some time and then we went back to Manhattan. We were to go back at 9 o'clock in the evening and rob the house. Walsh was to do the robbing while I watched, and he gave me a revolver, telling me not to use it unless I found myself in a tight place. He carried a bundle containing a hat, a pair of shoes and a lamp. It was not a bicycle lamp. [The lamp found in the Latimer house after the murder was a bicycle lamp.]

"It was a dark lantern with a bulbless and a slide to hide the light. Walsh had two revolvers, but the one he gave me was a .38 Smith & Wesson. Walsh left me standing in the doorway while he went inside. He came back alone and took me up to a bedroom, where I hid in a closet. Pretty soon he and Mrs. Latimer came in the room. They were together for some time, and then Mrs. Latimer went in. Latimer said to me, 'I want you to go to bed and I tried to keep still, but I must have made noise, for pretty soon Mrs. Latimer said that she had something to tell me. She said that she had a letter from her husband and that she was afraid burglars were in the house. I heard Latimer get out of bed and come toward the closet. I threw open the door and saw a man and a woman. The man was holding a gun and fired at me in the back. He hit me in the back and I fell. I heard a man say, 'I don't mind losing the pin,' said Latimer, with a grin, 'but I did hate to lose that pin.' The police promised to help him all they could.

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## FERRYBOAT IN COLLISION.

A Cattle Chute on the Cattle Boat America Breaks Three Panes of Glass.

The Long Island Railroad ferryboat Southampton was in collision in the East River yesterday under the new bridge with the cattle boat America. The Superintendent of the floating equipment of the road last night said the damage would perhaps reach \$12,000 worth of glass in the bridge and cattle chute which was for three broken panes of glass.

The report of the captain of the Southampton filed with Supt. H. D. Des Angles states that the Southampton was proceeding up the river to Long Island City from Rock Ship and met the cattle boat. The latter did not reply to signals, but kept on, as did the Southampton. They would have passed had not the America swung somewhat in the tide way and a cattle chute which projected from the side of the cattle boat, grazed the after end of the men's cabin of the Southampton. Three panes of glass were broken and the paint scratched. No other damage was done. The America proceeded, as did the Southampton. There were twenty persons on the Southampton and it is said that two of them were slightly hurt.

**SHOT HERSELF IN THE PARK.**

Woman Found Wounded—Self-Inflicted, the Police Think.

While Policeman Ryan was standing on the East Drive near McGowan's Pass Tavern in Central Park yesterday afternoon, he heard a pistol shot in a clump of shrubbery a short distance away. He ran to the place and found a young woman lying on the ground behind the bushes. There was a bullet wound on the right side of her face and a revolver lay on the ground near her. She was named Helen H. Goldsmith, 114 East Fourth street, New York. She would make no explanation about the shooting.

**Dr. Goldsmith, the ambulance surgeon, said that the wound did not appear to be serious. She was taken to the Presbyterian Hospital and a charge of attempted suicide was entered against her.**

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## BOUND TO DEFEAT ADDICKS.

DEMOCRATS INDORSE ANOTHER REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE.

Withdraw Their Candidate for Senator in Wilmington—The Addicks Men Say That This Simply Means Democrats Can Be Bought, and They Laugh Over It.

DOVER, Del., Oct. 30.—The remarkable growth of the movement of the Democrats to fuse with the regular Republicans in the determined effort to bowl Mr. Addicks out of the Senatorial fight, concluding today with the withdrawal of Candidate England in the Republican stronghold of Wilmington, so that the anti-Addicks Republican candidate George W. Sparks might be placed upon the Democratic ticket, has not dismayed the Addicks men. They seemed more determined than ever around Union Republican headquarters tonight. They do not concede the defeat of Robertson, their candidate for Senator in the district where fusion was most recently accomplished.

"When Delaware Democrats of the old Bourbon stripe got to voting for Republicans," said an Addicks leader to-night, "then that throws the Democrats wide open to the market for votes at whatever cost they may want to pay."

The following desiring to get votes at whatever cost they may want to pay, the straight and narrow way and are voting for Republicans. "Since you are voting for Republicans and there is no Democrat running, why not pick your own Republican?" we can say.

It is understood to-night that the next plan of attack will come from the Democratic side and that it will be a blow that will drive the Addicks voters. Assistants have been appointed throughout the State by Gov. Hume to go into the secret booth with the voters, ostensibly to assist in a perfect marking of the ballot, but really to see to it that the goods are delivered. The ammunition which the Democrats intend to use against these violators of secrecy of the ballot cannot be ascertained, but it is probable that they have not yet abandoned the attack, through chancery proceedings, for serving each appointee of the Government with going inside the election booth.

When a project to urge injunctions from Chancellor Nicholson, a Democrat, was first heard of a fortnight ago, the Addicks men at once prepared resignations in blank to be used by any voters' assistant enjoined thus and new commissions to be placed in the hands of their successors, the matter the other fellow was compelled to step out of the booth.

There is no doubt that next Monday and Tuesday will find stirring scenes to Delaware. The Addicks men are still sending every energy to carry nine legislative districts of the thirteen in Sussex, ten of the thirteen in Kent and eight of the thirteen in New Castle. Those with the votes of the long-suffering Senators Groves and Brashear, would give them enough to elect Addicks on the first ballot, twenty-seven being the coveted number.

They are offering large bets to-night that they will triumph in this undertaking, but the Democrats might as well declare it absurdly for the time to claim more than one-third of the Legislature.

WILMINGTON, Del., Oct. 30.—The Democratic State Committee has withdrawn the name of its candidate for State Senator in the First District in this city and substituted the name of the regular Republican candidate. This is done to prevent the election of the Addicks candidate for Senator.

Some Managers Yield; Others Hold Out—Extra Police at Music Halls.

PARIS, Oct. 30.—The musicians employed at sixteen theatres and music halls struck today and picketed these resorts this evening. They were not replaced. Several managers, alarmed at the prospect of the failure of the Thursday-matinee, gave way this morning.

The strikers, carrying violin cases, trombones, cornets, bassoons and other instruments, arrived at the Labor Exchange at 1 o'clock this afternoon. The chairman announced that the Chateau Nouveau theatre and a number of concert halls had agreed to pay the wages demanded by the musicians' syndicate.

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## BURNS AND ROSE IN PARIS.

Burns May Have His Books Brought Here.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. PARIS, Oct. 30.—It is alleged that Bookmaker Burns has been expelled from France on account of the recent turf scandals in which a number of Americans were involved. Burns is still in Paris.

Mr. Rose, the American about whose expulsion the United States authorities have been inquiring, has not yet left France. He will have to leave on Nov. 15, however, unless the French authorities recall the order of expulsion in the meantime.

Mr. Rose showed the correspondent a cable despatch from Secretary Hay, which read: "Have called Porter to take charge of your case. Titus (Capt. Titus) called Gourd."

M. Gaudier is the police inspector in charge of the case here. Mr. Rose says he has not been notified of his expulsion from France. The only communication he received was an invitation to give evidence before Prime Minister Cambes while the latter was acting as the captain of Minister of the Interior, in regard to turf matters. Mr. Rose says he gave the testimony required and produced his books, which the authorities retained.

He says that he is now only waiting for an opportunity to vindicate his character should Gen. Porter, the American Ambassador, succeed in obtaining a reopening of his case. The authorities seem disinclined to grant this because it might show that they acted hastily in the matter. Mr. Rose says that if the opportunity to vindicate himself is denied him he will ask Gen. Porter, if he gets his (Rose's) books, to seal and send them untouched to the President of the New York Turf Association in order that the matter may be impartially investigated.

**RUSSIA'S BLOW AT ELECTIONS.**

To Take From St. Petersburg City Council Right to Elect a Mayor.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 30.—It is reported that the Government intends to deprive the City Council of the right of electing a Mayor, and to substitute a Government official with extensive powers for a representative head of the city.

The Norse Vemga protests strongly against such action. It points out that the capital has had an elective chief since the days of Catherine II.

The paper says that to withdraw this right, conferred long ago, would be to disregard the unanimous wishes of the citizens and would be calculated to create a feeling of insecurity and discourage people from taking an interest in municipal affairs. The paper predicts that the appointment of an official city head would lead to endless bickerings between the nominee of the Government and the Council, which is elected by the citizens.

The despatch adds that the whole question of the municipal organization is at present under discussion. The City Council at present is elected on a narrow franchise, which is confined to leading merchants, business men and large owners of real estate.

There has been hitherto constant interference with the city administration by the Minister of the Interior. It is not believed to be the Government's intention to transform the municipality into what will be practically a Department of the Ministry of the Interior.

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Indignation Caused by Charge—\$60,000 Turned Over to Relief of Poor—No New Case of Cholera in Sixty Hours.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. MANILA, Oct. 30.—Gen. James Bell, through the city government, has brought an action for libel against the newspaper Libertad, which accused him of stealing the profits from the sale of rice and foodstuffs in Batangas and Mindoro during the reconstruction period, intending to enjoy the money in America.

The paper added that when Gen. Bell's action was discovered by the civil government he was forced to disgorge.

A sum amounting to \$60,000, the result of Gen. Bell's careful administration, was transferred to the credit of the provinces which he governed during the reconstruction period, and this money was appropriated a few days ago for the relief of the poor. Universal indignation has been caused by the charge against Gen. Bell, who is the last man who would injure the Philippines. Gen. Davis, the military commander of this department, forwarded the article to Gov. Taft.

The Libertad is a pronounced anti-American and "frat" organ. It is published under the heading of "Benedicido, No. XIII." It has frequently attacked the Philippine Commission.

Aglipay, the renegade priest, who has been excommunicated and who has started a church of his own, proposes to celebrate mass on Sunday for the forgiveness of the crimes of the recognized clergy, especially those Spanish priests who sinned during the insurrection against Spain.

The Libertad warns the people that the Catholic Church will excommunicate any of its members who assist the heretic church and will not recognize marriages or burials performed by the followers of Aglipay.

No new case of cholera has been reported in Manila in sixty hours.

**RIOT AT PONCE, PORTO RICO.**

Two Killed in Election Disturbance—Panic in a Theatre.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. SAN JUAN, P. R., Oct. 30.—There was a serious election riot at Ponce last night. It lasted for three hours and order was not restored until midnight. A Republican mob attacked the Federal Club.

Hundreds of shots were fired. The municipal police, which is a Republican body, seemed to abstain from action. As a result of the rioting two persons were killed and twelve wounded, including two policemen. The judicial authorities are investigating the matter and several arrests have been made, mostly of Federals.

During the riot the mob entered the theatre where the Marine Casala Company was giving a performance, and fired many shots. The actors and the audience were panic-stricken. The police remained inactive and no arrests were made. The actors will appeal to the Spanish Consul and ask him to communicate the details of the affair to the Washington Government.

They will also ask the city of Ponce for not protecting them in the exercise of their legal rights.

**PARIS TO LONDON IN AIRSHIP.**

Santos-Dumont Will Try It for a Prize of \$50,000 Under Conditions.

PARIS, Oct. 30.—Santos-Dumont says that he is willing to attempt to make the passage from Paris to London in an airship for a prize of \$50,000, but the conditions imposed are not satisfactory.

He believes that he should be allowed to make more than three attempts, as unfavorable atmospheric conditions at the last moment might oblige him to abandon the trip.

If the conditions are made to suit him he will attempt the trip, taking another ship with him. He will use motors of 45 horse power each, which will enable him to make ninety miles an hour.

**JAMES STOKES HONORED.**

He Receives the Cross of Officer of the Legion of Honor in Paris.

PARIS, Oct. 30.—James Stokes of New York was decorated here today by a commission from President Loubet, with the cross of Officer of the Legion of Honor.

The ceremony took place at the jubilee functions of the French Christian Association in France.

The cross was placed in position by Jules Siegfried, member of the Chamber of Deputies, and former Minister of Commerce, and amid enthusiastic cheering.

Mr. Stokes gave the funds necessary to erect the Paris building of the association.

**SACRIFICES TO RIVER GOD.**

To Be Made by Chinese to Show Gratitude for Absence of Inundation.

PEKING, Oct. 30.—The Dowager Empress, to signalize the return of the court from the summer palace, has issued an edict ordering special sacrifices to the river god of the Hoang-Ho as a token of gratitude for the absence of inundation. The offering of the Hoang-Ho or Yellow River has caused the loss of thousands upon thousands of lives in past years.

The proposed pilgrimage of the Emperor to the western tombs has been abandoned, and his Majesty will perform his ancestral worship in Peking.

**FRENCH DELEGATES COMING.**

To Attend the Dedication of the Chamber of Commerce Building.

PARIS, Oct. 30.—The following additional French delegates will go to New York to attend the dedication of the Chamber of Commerce building. From Paris, M. Victor Hugo, in place of the president of the French Chamber of Commerce, who is unavoidably prevented from being present; M. Porto, representative of the textile manufacturers from Lyons; M. Joseph Guinet, a silk merchant from Rheims; M. Raoul Chandon de Brailles.

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